KRASINSKY, ROBERT

(Randy Green victim)

Youth Tortured; Manhunt Under Way

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Community Affairs File

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Local police combed the river bottoms in the West Terre Haute area Wednesday searching for a man who reportedly abducted and "severely tortured" a 10-year-old boy Tuesday.

The youngster, Randy Green, 437 National Ave., West Terre Haute, was reported in fair condition at Terre Haute Regional Hospital Wednesday despite having been "beaten black and blue from the eyes to below the hips," according to Don Lark, chief of the West Terre Haute police.

Lark reported that the man sought is between 29 and 30 years of age, five feet and three inches tall, with long black hair and a black moustache.

The man was believed to be driving a 1970 or 1971 red Chevrolet.

The Green youngster was reported missing at about 2 p.m. Tuesday by his mother, Mrs. Martha Green.

He was discovered at about 6:30 a.m. Wednesday by a passing motorist, Mrs. Rose Cox, RR 11, West Terre Haute, wandering along Darwin Road near South Lake.

What happened between the boy's disappearance and his discovery is still not totally clear, but Lark reports that the youngster was apparently forced at knife-point into the abductor's car near the old Texaco station at Church and National Avenue in West Terre Haute.

The youngster was taken from the West Terre Haute location to near South Lake and then put into the trunk of the car and taken east to the Wabash River, according to official police reports.

Lark reported that while the boy was in the trunk, the driver stopped and asked a woman on the Darwin Road for directions, possibly to throw the youngster off on his location.

The police chief emphasized that any woman or girl who might have given directions to a red car on the Darwin Road sometime after 2:30 p.m. on Tuesday should contact the office immediately.

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The youth was beaten with a belt and with a seat belt that the abductor took from his trunk.

The boy was also reportedly bitten on the neck and he received a four inch knife gash on one leg.

Police report that the youth was left tied to a tree by his wrists with his feet dangling above the ground.

By chewing on the knots of the rope, the Green youngster apparently worked himself loose and began walking. He was shortly discovered by Mrs. Cox.

Mrs. Cox told The TRIBUNE that she found the boy, apparently in a state of shock, and she described his condition as "severly beaten" although she said that he appeared to have no broken bones.

The youngster was taken to the West Terre Haute Police Department and then immediately sent to the Terre Haute Regional Hospital.

One observer at the West Terre Haute station said that the boy was "hurt beyond belief."

Initial hospital reports verified that the youngster had been cut on the leg and severely beaten.

Lark reported that the youngster was apparently not molested.

Since the incident, all five officers of the West Terre Haute Department, as well as deputies from the Vigo County Sheriff's Department, have been searching for the abductor.

Lark emphasized that he was short of manpower in his office, but he noted that his men had been searching round-the-clock since the boy's discovery.

Sgt. Robert Busiere and Deputy Frank Cardinal of the Vigo County Sheriff's Department were dispatched to the West Terre Haute area after the boy was found.

At noon Wednesday, Lark said that he planned to ask the Indiana State Police for help.

In addition, he emphasized that any person seeing a man of the description sought or with any information in the case is urged to contact the West Terre Haute Police.

Ted Melvin, Vigo County sheriff, had released no information based on his deputies' investigation as of noon Wednesday.

He noted that he had not himself talked with the Green youngster, but that he hoped to do so as soon as possible.

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Man Charged in Beating Of Boy Being Committed

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The Connecticut mental hospital escapee facing multiple charges in the kidnap-beating of a 10-year-old West Terre Haute boy last week is being committed to the Norman Beatty State Hospital, according to a report Friday from Vigo Circuit Court.

Robert Krasinsky, 33, had been scheduled for arraignment Sept. 12 on charges of kidnapping, assault and battery with intent to kill, commission of a felony while armed and auto banditry, the charges brought against him in the county court Aug. 1.

He was held under $250,000 bond in the Vigo County jail. The transfer of custody was ordered Friday by Judge C. Joseph Anderson after the return of psychiatric examination reports by Dr. Gerald Johnston and Dr. Boris Imperial, the report stated.

It was noted that Krasinsky is to be held in maximum security at the state hospital.

He reportedly was a patient in an "open ward" at the Connecticut Valley Hospital in Middletown, Conn., a mental hospital, listed absent without leave on July 28.

The next day Randy Green of West Terre Haute was reported missing, discovered the following morning wandering along the Darwin Rd. near South Lake. He had been severely beaten, had suffered a bite and a cut and had been left hanging by his wrists bound to a tree limb, according to accounts of the incident. He was admitted in satisfactory condition to Terre Haute Regional Hospital and since has been released.

Krasinsky was arrested last Wednesday evening in Paris, Ill., in connection with a traffic violation and investigation of an attempted assault on a young boy there.

In the meantime, he had sold his car to a Brazil resident to raise money for an intoxication fine related to an incident at Saline City in Clay County, having spent Tuesday night in the Clay County jail.

On Wednesday, reports from area police and courts continue, the man who bought Krasinsky's car brought him to Terre Haute where he rented another auto and went on to Paris.

It was then that police inquiries into the abduction of

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the Green boy led to an auto matching the description of the one Krasinsky had sold, reports state.

Krasinsky was returned here from Edgar County (Illinois) authorities July 31 to appear in Vigo Circuit Court the following day.

The case here reportedly is held in abeyance until officials at the state hospital determine that Krasinsky is able to face charges.

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